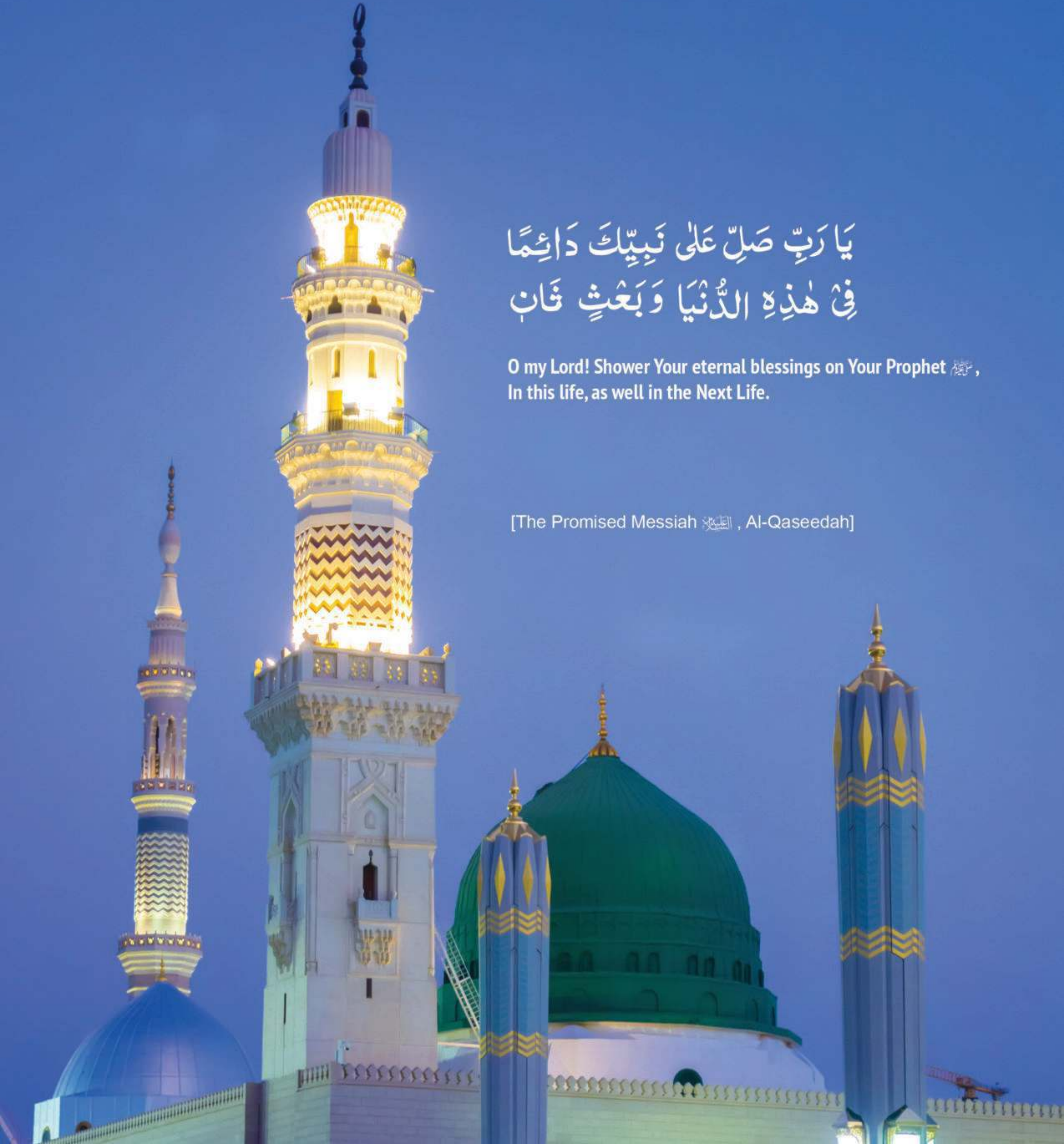
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**O my Lord! Shower Your eternal blessings on Your Prophet ﷺ,**
**In this life, as well in the Next Life.**

[The Promised Messiah عليه السلام, Al-Qaseedah]




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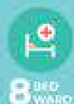
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## PLEDGE

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وَاَشْھَدُ اَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُہٗ وَرَسُوْلُہٗ

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One (and) has no partner, and I bear witness that Muhammad ﷺ is His servant and messenger.

I solemnly pledge that I shall endeavour throughout my life for the propagation and consolidation of Islam Ahmadiyyat, and for upholding the institution of Khilafat. I shall also be prepared to offer the greatest sacrifice for this cause. Moreover, I shall exhort my children to always remain dedicated and devoted to Khilafat. Insha'Allah.

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In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful.

Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet.

O ye who believe! you also should invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace.

[Surah Al-Ahzab, 33:57]

# Hadith

Narrated Abdur-Rahman bin Abi Laila ﷺ:

Ka`b bin Ujrah met me and said, "Shall I not give you a present I got from the Prophet?" Abdur- Rahman said, "Yes, give it to me." I said, "We asked Allah's Messenger ﷺ saying,

'O Allah's Messenger ﷺ! How should one (ask Allah to) send blessings on you, the members of the family, for Allah has taught us how to salute you (in the prayer)?'

He said, 'Say:

***'Allahumma salli alaa Muhammadin wa alaa aali Muhammadin kamaa sallaita alaa Ibraheema wa alaa aali Ibraheema innaka Hameedum Majeed. Allahumma baarik alaa Muhammadin wa alaa aali Muhammadin kamaa baarakta alaa Ibraheema wa alaa aali Ibraheema innaka Hameedum Majeed.'***

[Sahih Al-Bukhari, the Book of the Stories of the Prophets, Hadith no. 3370]

That is,
'O Allah! Send Your Mercy on Muhammad ﷺ and on the family of Muhammad ﷺ, as You sent Your Mercy on Abraham and on the family of Abraham, for You are the Most Praise-worthy, the Most Glorious. O Allah! Send Your Blessings on Muhammad ﷺ and the family of Muhammad ﷺ, as You sent Your Blessings on Abraham and on the family of Abraham, for You are the Most Praise-worthy, the Most Glorious.'



# Obey the Holy Prophet and try to become like him

To be a Muslim is not a child's play. It requires complete submission in everything to the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Do not take it cursorily. It is a matter worth deep consideration. Do not feel complacent until you obey the Holy Prophet ﷺ completely. If you call yourself a Muslim without doing so, you have only a shell without the kernel. A wise man will not be happy with a shell only nor on bearing an empty name. In old times a Muslim in name tried to convert a Jew to Islam. The latter chided him for rejoicing on outward form devoid of inner reality. He said,

"What is there in a name? I named my son Khalid, after the name of the famous Muslim conqueror who lived long and won brilliant victories for Islam. But before it was evening I had to bury my child. So do not be happy with mere names. Seek instead the inner reality. What a shame! You profess to follow the Holy Prophet ﷺ, the greatest of all Prophets, yet you live like kafirs. So live your life like the Holy Prophet ﷺ and frame your mind like him. If you do not do so you are following Satan."

It is easy to understand that the object of man's life should be to become the beloved of God Almighty. Until a man becomes so, he has not succeeded in life. But this object is not attained until you obey the Holy Prophet ﷺ truly. The Holy Prophet ﷺ has shown by his conduct the real significance of Islam. So follow that Islam if you want to become the beloved of God.

[Al-Hakam, January 24, 1901]

# Exemplary Compassion of The Holy Prophet ﷺ

Friday Sermon by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) Khalifatul-Masih V

Delivered on 23rd February 2007 at the BaitulFutūh Mosque, London



After Sura Fatiha, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) recited verse 128 of Chapter 9, Sura Al-Taubah.

لَقَدْ جَآءَكُمْ رَسُوْلٌ مِّنْ اَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيْزٌ عَلَيْهِ مَا عَنِتُّمْ حَرِيْصٌ عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ رَءُوْفٌ رَّحِيْمٌ

Then Huzoor (aba) stated:

Allah the Exalted, as we know, manifests Himself upon us through His attributes. He also says to His servants that they should colour themselves in His colours and reflect His attributes. Only then will they be deserving of being called His real servants. There is no doubt, that the most perfect example of this commandme

nt of Allah is not to be seen anywhere except in the person of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. He is that beloved of Allah from whose light many were blessed in the past, many are being blessed today, and many more will be blessed till the end of time, God Willing.

The Promised Messiah (as) has described the blessed personage of the Holy Prophet ﷺ in these words;

"That man who in his person, his attributes, his words, his deeds, his spirituality, and his holy faculties set an example of perfection in knowledge, action, sincerity, and steadfastness and was called the perfect man. That man who was the most perfect man, who was the most perfect prophet, who came with perfect blessings, who through spiritual revival and resurrection caused the first day of judgment in this world, and the world that was dead found a new life through his coming. What was that day of judgment? It was the day when the dead are given a new life. That blessed prophet was the Seal of the Prophets, the leader of the pure, the last of the messengers, the pride of the prophets Hazrat Muhammad Mustafa ﷺ, may Allah shower His blessings upon him. O` our Lord shower such blessings upon this beloved prophet of ours as you have not sent on any since the beginning of time. May Allah shower peace and blessings upon him, his progeny, and all his companions."

So, this is our Holy Prophet ﷺ who, due to the love of Allah, truly manifested Allah's attributes in himself. At another place, the Promised Messiah (as) says, "He loved God to the extreme and he was extremely compassionate towards fellow human beings." It was due to his intense love for Allah that he loved God's creatures. He could not bear to see them in pain. God treats His servants under the divine attributes of Grace and Mercy. How can it be that the person whose sole purpose, whose every action and

inaction was to win the pleasure of Allah, would not treat God's creatures in the same manner as God would. His compassion, mercy, and love for God's creatures were so intense that Allah has recorded them in the Holy Quran in the verse that I have recited at the beginning. The translation of this verse is:

"Surely, a Messenger has come unto you from among yourselves; grievous to him is it that you should fall into trouble; he is ardently desirous of your welfare; and to the believers he is specially compassionate and merciful." (9:128)

So, this is the example of our beloved Prophet ﷺ and his feelings for the betterment of humanity. That beloved Messenger ﷺ feels intense pain to see you suffer, or the punishment you will bear as a result of disobedience of God's commandments.

This verse reflects his feelings for both the believers and non-believers. We see from his life that he and his companions had to bear extremes of pain and suffering at the hands of his enemies. Women's legs would be tied to two camels that would be made to run in opposite directions thereby tearing apart their bodies. He himself was tortured. He, along with his followers, was isolated in a desolate valley for two and a half years. Even then, he wished well for them. He used to pray that Allah may guide them to the right path so that they may be saved from the wrath of Allah. When he fought, it was only to defend himself. The thought of revenge never ever even crossed his mind. He was so restless to save them that he was ready to lay down his own life.

It is stated in the Holy Quran that when Allah directed him to warn the non-believers, idolaters, and those who held the belief that God has a son that if they do not desist, then there is a severe punishment that awaits them, this mercy for both the worlds is extremely perturbed. He cried in pain and prayed to Allah to guide them to the right path. He conveyed God's message to them and asked them why are they bent upon destroying their present and hereafter? Why are they running blindly towards the fire of hell? He reaches such a state that Allah says in the Holy Quran:

فَلَعَلَّكَ بَاخِعٌ نَّفْسَكَ عَلٰۤى اٰثَارِهِمْ اِنْ لَّمْ يُؤْمِنُوْا بِهٰذَا الْحَدِيْثِ اَسَفًا

"So it may be, thou wilt grieve thyself to death sorrowing after them if they believe not this Discourse." (18:7)

So, it was the intense feeling of mercy due to which he would grieve so much for the non-believers in order to save them that caused him self to reach a point near death. Tell me if there is anyone today who worries so much to save their own children's life as much as he did for those people to whom his only relation was that they were the creatures of his beloved God, and that he may be able to discharge his duty of saving humanity from the clutches of Satan for which he was appointed. This was his only purpose.

How desirous of the welfare of believers was he? It is also apparent from the verse I recited at the beginning. He would be overjoyed to see the believers. He would guide them in various ways and means of gaining the love and nearness of Allah. I shall give a few examples from the Hadith. He was always anxious that his followers should remain wrapped up in the mercy of God.

Hazrat Abu Bakr ؓ narrates that he submitted

to the Holy Prophet ﷺ: "teach me a prayer that I should supplicate in my salat." He said, "you should say 'O' Allah! Certainly I wronged my soul and there is none besides you who can forgive, you grant me forgiveness and have mercy on me. No doubt you are the Ghafoor (most forgiving) and Rahim (most merciful)."

In another Hadith, it is narrated by Hazrat Abu Huraira رضي الله عنه that the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "When one of you remains at his place after saying the salat, provided he doesn't do anything undesirable, the angels pray for him: 'O' Allah! Forgive him. O' Allah! Have mercy on him.'"

This is also to induce people to come for salat; to ask Allah for His forgiveness and mercy; to become able to obtain as much of Allah's love as possible.

So look at his extreme desire to be merciful to the believers.

It is reported in a narration by Hazrat Abu Huraira رضي الله عنه that he heard the Holy Prophet ﷺ saying: "O' Allah, If I said some harsh words to a believer, you make it means for him to become nearer to you." That is, "My harshness should become an excuse for Your forgiveness for him." He was kind and merciful to them to this extent. If by error or by intention, he had shown anger for some reason, that person should not receive punishment for it. Instead, it should become an excuse for mercy for him.

Thus, this is our Prophet ﷺ who is compassionate and merciful. Allah has given him the name of 'Rauf' (compassionate) and 'Rahim' (merciful). He is anxious to increase spirituality of his own people and he is anxious to save others also from divine chastisement.

In this context , Promised Messiah عليه السلام relates, "Affinity and resolve are granted to a person when he comes under the canopy of God and he becomes "Zillallah" the "reflection of God". And then he finds a urge in him for the welfare of His creation.

Our noble Prophet, in his rank, was ahead of all other prophets. He could not bear the sight of suffering of God's creation. Therefore Allah the Exalted says,

لَقَدْ جَآءَكُمْ رَسُوْلٌ مِّنْ اَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيْزٌ عَلَيْهِ مَا عَنِتُّمْ حَرِيْصٌ
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"that is "this prophet cannot bear the sight of your suffering. It is very hard on him. And he is always anxious to see that you receive extra-ordinary benefits."

Then he says, "Guidance of Quran teaches us to love the Righteous and Noble; and to show kindness to the non-believers and impious (Fasiqoon) ." Allah the Exalted says:

لَقَدْ جَآءَكُمْ رَسُوْلٌ مِّنْ اَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيْزٌ عَلَيْهِ مَا عَنِتُّمْ حَرِيْصٌ
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"That is "O' Non-believers! This prophet is so kind that he can not bear the sight of your grief. And is extremely desirous that you should escape these calamities."

Thus his desire to save even the non-believers was so great that their failure to believe, in their sympathy, agonized his soul.

Therefore he is the "perfect man" whose comparable we do not find anywhere. These days, every so often in the West, sometimes in this country or in another, by using different means of propaganda against Islam and the

Holy Prophetﷺ, attempt is made to tarnish his stature.

In the last few days a member of Parliament of Holland made imprudent remarks, in which he used extremely derogatory and cruel words about the Holy Prophet ﷺ, Islamic teachings, and the Quran. With the grace of Allah, Jamaat responds to such incidents in any country where such statements are made against Islam or the Founder of Islam.

I also told the Holland Jamaat members to write about it in newspapers, to remove this erroneous impression from the minds of the public and to help create the true and beautiful image of Islam in them.

In reality, it is only Islam that presents the real and true concept of God in this day and age. If these people say such things about Islam and the Holy Prophet ﷺ due to ignorance and lack of knowledge, then you need to tell them what the beautiful teachings of Islam are, what the great examples the Holy Prophet ﷺ set in every sphere of life are, and how the heart of the Holy Prophet ﷺ was filled with mercy for all of God's creation, so that there minds are cleansed.

But if their hearts are filled with hatred and spite and they are not willing to listen to anything reasonable, then you will have made your argument against them.

In any case, it is a huge task that every Ahmadi has to perform. As far as this member of Parliament of Holland is concerned, it seems that his heart has extreme hatred and spite towards Islam, the Holy Prophet ﷺ, the Quran, and all Muslims. He expressed it a few days ago in an interview. His name is Geert Wilders. He was born in a Catholic family, but now according to the reports received, he doesn't have much to do with religion. This kind of people who don't find peace in their religion and can't understand God, so obviously they can't reach Him, start to defile Islam and accuse it.

In any case this person has a longstanding record of criticizing Islamic teachings. When the crisis (about the newspaper article) developed in Holland initially, he was at the forefront of it at that time too.

Outwardly he is indifferent to religion, but because of his hatred for Islam, according to the interview, he considers Christianity and Judaism to be better than Islam. He may hold that opinion but if he has any sense he should realize that, in this period when the Western Countries claim to be civilized and this person claims also that he is learned and is also the member of Parliament, they have no right to be derogatory against other religions.

Due to the individual acts of some people, he does not get the right to say such things about Quran and the Holy Prophet ﷺ that no fair minded and sane person would say anyway.

For example, he says about the Holy Prophet ﷺ, that if he was in Holland at this time, he would have expelled him from the country for being a terrorist (God Forbid). What power do you have to expel ? You are, God willing, going to see the time when you will find a majority of followers of Muhammad ﷺeverywhere.

From the time of the Holy Prophet's ﷺ claim up until now, what efforts have not been made by his opponents? Have they succeeded? In the world today everywhere, in every country, whether the Muslims are in small numbers or large, 5 times every day, with a loud voice, if the name of any prophet is called out, it is the name of this person (Muhammad) "the mercy for all ages."

Whose heart was, despite all the efforts and mean tactics of his opponents, full of compassion always, all the time, for everyone merely because of them being humankind.

Then he says that the commandments of Quran are such that (God Forbid) half of the Quran should be ripped off.

One should ask this person that in practice you are irreligious but the religions that you regard as better than Islam, you should compare their teachings with Islam with the eye of your mind. Rid your eye of the prejudice, then see the comparison. And if you still do not comprehend, then understand it from us, because imbeciles cannot comprehend this teaching. Holy Quran makes the assertion that you should cleanse your hearts and your minds, then you will understand it. Otherwise many imbeciles have passed before you, who continued to criticize it. There was one who was regarded "Abdul Hakam," father of wisdom, who was, for not understanding Quran, named "Abu Jahl" the "father of stupidity." And the servants of this prophet, who lacked wisdom and knowledge in the eyes of the world, because of their understanding of this Quran, became able to spread knowledge and wisdom to all.

Therefore we, for the sake of giving you the opportunity to understand, with regard to the kind and compassionate being of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, like to point this out to you, because he was ever anxious to save even people like you from the torment of fire.

Read his words with attention and deliberation. Study them, analyse them, understand them. And if you do not comprehend, ask us for explanations and save yourself from that agonizing punishment that Allah, the exalted, has prepared for such people. It is destined for those who exceed all bounds.

May these people who say such things, take heed and understand.

But it is also a big responsibility for Ahmadis that they should show to them the picture of every beautiful moment of the life of this kind and merciful Prophet ﷺ.

These people say that he ﷺ, who was recognised by Allah, the exalted, as kind and compassionate, gave the teaching of terrorism.

Explain to them that in wars, how kind, humane, and merciful a treatment of women, children, and elderly is vouchsafed in Islam. And tell them what the instructions are for kind treatment of even prisoners of war. Even at the expense of personal hardship, there was kindness and mercy for the prisoners of war.

Those prisoners of war, who had participated in the war to kill Muslims, there is such a kind and compassionate treatment that they are being fed nicely even when the captors are hungry or eating the bare minimum.

Those who accuse this example of mercy today, should tell us about the instance when atomic bombs were dropped on 2 cities in Japan. The entire populace of those cities was burnt alive, young and old, women and infirm, all of them were reduced to ashes in a single moment. Even the survivors of the adjoining areas have continued to suffer for years and even up till now, are afflicted by many terrible illnesses. Babies are born defective. Are these the high morals that are practiced by those who call themselves "peace loving" and "peace promoting".

Whatever is happening in Iraq, what do these people call that?

You should remember that despite all these excesses, the God of Islam, brought down a teaching on His dear Prophet ﷺ, who was forgiving and merciful for everyone, that teaching is in the form of the Quran before us. It is such a beautiful teaching that if they have any sense they would see it as such.

I do not want to go into details, but I shall mention one verse. Allah the Exalted says, and He has made provision for forgiveness of even such sinners:

إِلَّا مَنْ تَابَ وَآمَنَ وَعَمِلَ عَمَلًا صَالِحًا فَأُولَٰئِكَ يُبَدِّلُ اللَّهُ سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ
حَسَنَاتٍ ۗ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا

"Except the one who repents and believes and does good things, these are the people whose faults Allah will replace with virtues. And Allah is Most Forgiving, Ever Merciful." (25:71)

Instead of tormenting the Muslims, they should ask for forgiveness for their own sins; and seek the goodness and virtues that they possess themselves. Instead of disgracing the beloved of Allah, they should get involved in self-introspection. Today, in the West, the reason for the widespread immorality is the lack of self-reflection by the masses. The reason for the decline in our domestic peace and harmony lies in the fact that we do not repent our sins before God Almighty. Allah Almighty has provided you with the opportunity to recognize your God even now and to keep away from disgracing and defaming His dear ones and to call upon the compassion of the Merciful God to forgive your sins.

I reiterate to the Ahmadis to adhere to the teachings of Islam and explain to these mindless people or at least to those who are influenced by this group and those who do not give any attention to the defamation focused towards the dear ones of God, that if you do not abstain from these (evil) actions, then there is no assurance that you will persist as a nation or as a country.

Therefore, if you wish to live on, then stop attacking this Benefactor of humanity and the dear Messenger of God Almighty, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and cultivate your relation with him, and even if you do not wish to have any relation with him, plain goodness demands that you refrain from these verbal attacks.

Apart from wars, the world is headed towards disaster owing to climatic catastrophes as well. Holland is one such nation where Shirk (associating partners with God) is rampant because the people claim that God created the rest of the world, whereas we (the people) created Holland. These people have completely lost their minds due to the mere fact that they have extracted a piece of land that was submerged under the sea, and they do not understand that a large party of the land still lies below the sea-level. Even mountain ranges cannot withstand

the storms and catastrophes that come as punishment from God. Therefore, within this context, the responsibility of bringing these people and people around the world closer to God lies with an Ahmadi. You must understand your responsibility and out of sheer mercy, adopt the ways practiced by the Holy Prophet ﷺ and be concerned for the salvation of humanity. Make the world recognize God.

God says: "It is those who will be forgiven who repent, those who believe and do good deeds while remaining steadfast in their belief."

Deliver this message to the masses; otherwise, as I have stated earlier, the world is inviting the wrath of God by directing cruel attacks on His beloved. In this era, the Promised Messiah عليه السلام has claimed the occurrence of terrestrial and celestial calamities as a sign of his truth. Therefore, it is a matter of great concern and it is extremely important to warn the world with great force. It is necessary to elucidate the high status of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. It is crucial to draw attention to that light that transformed the extremely ignorant and uncivilized Arab people of that time into the most cultured and God-fearing people.

The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says: "A Messenger came into this world so that he could bestow ears to the deaf who are unable to hear not since today but for hundreds of years. Who is blind and who is deaf? The one who did not accept Tauheed (Oneness of God), nor the prophet who re-established the message of Tauheed in this world all over again. The one who transformed savages into humans and transformed humans to a civilized people i.e. established them at the true moderate level of refinement. And further transformed them from a mere state of being civilized to that of God-fearing people. That prophet, yes indeed, that master, the radiating sun of truthfulness on whose feet thousands of those rendered lifeless lying in the corruption of shirk and infidelity and falsehood and wickedness found life and practically demonstrated a picture of the Day of Resurrection (i.e. bringing the dead to life) unlike the boastful claims attributed to Jesus. The one who appeared in the land of Makkah and annihilated the darkness of shirk and idolatry. Yes, the world hailed that this indeed was the one who found the world in utter darkness and imparted it with such illumination that rendered sheer night to day."

What state did the world find itself in before his advent and what did it become after him? This is not such a dilemma that entails a difficult response. If we do not adopt the path of deceitfulness, our conscience will impel to confer that before the advent of this excellent personality, the people of each and every nation of this world had forgotten the greatness of God and the eminence of God was attributed instead to stars and rocks and cosmic constellations and trees and creatures and mortal beings. And this futile creation was given the seat of this Glorious and Holy God. And it is the absolute verdict that if these mortals and creatures and trees and stars were indeed God, enumerated among whom is Jesus as well, then there was no need for such a Prophet. But if these things were not God, then the claim that our master Prophet Muhammad ﷺ made on the hills of Makkah is accompanied with a magnificent radiance.

What was that claim? It was in reality that he stated: finding the world in extreme darkness of shirk, God send me to this world to eradicate this darkness. This was not a mere claim but in fact he lived this claim to its letter. If the superiority of a prophet can be established over all other prophets by the actions that have as an end to generate true compassion for humankind, then O people! Rise and bear testimony that there is no precedent in this attribute to the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ in this world.

These blind worshippers of worldly things have not been able to discern the noble prophet ﷺ who demonstrated thousands of such instances of compassion. But now I see that the time has arrived that the virtuous prophet is identified. If you wish, note down what I say that from now onwards, idol-worshipping will decline to the point where it will be abolished. Will man challenge the Divine? Will a trifling drop eradicate the Will of God? Will the machinations of mere mortal beings vanquish the designs of the Provident? O ye who hear me, pay heed, and those who can ponder, reflect and remember that truth will prevail and that which is the true light will indeed shine bright.

Therefore, this message is the message of Tauheed that we must deliver to all those who possess the faculty of understanding and nobility. We must resolve and aim higher to this end. The divine plans have started to transpire, and we are witnesses to this every day. To this end, it will be a tiny effort on our part, which will reap great rewards. In the end, I would like to aim at these loudmouths who attribute false accusations towards the person of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ the extract from the sayings of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام.

He says: "The Muslim people are ever ready to sacrifice their lives for the honor of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and they prefer to embrace death over befriending those and strengthen their ties with those who busy themselves day and night in slandering the Holy Prophet ﷺ. And they insult him in their magazines and books and announcements. And talk about him in extremely nasty expressions. You should remember that such slanderers are not the well-wishers of their own nation because they lay thorns in their path. And I tell you the truth that it is indeed possible for us to befriend the snakes and wanderers of the wilderness and creatures of the jungle, but it is impossible for us to reconcile with those who do not refrain from spreading evil about the pure status of the messengers of God. They believe that victory lies in slander and abuse, but victory comes only from the Heavens."

InshaAllah (God-willing) that victory will indeed materialize. Every Ahmadi should deliver this message to those involved in these activities and to others that the people who engage themselves in such slander are not their well- wishers, nor of their nation, nor do they desire peace and harmony in the world. In fact, these are the ones who create disorder. Their aim is solely to spread anarchy and chaos in this world. May Allah protect the world from all kind of evil.

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# Fire of devotion to the beauty of Muhammad ﷺ

**Translation of some verses of a Persian poem**
**by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi.**

I am ready to offer my heart and soul
For the beauty of Muhammad ﷺ ;
My body is merely the dust of the lane
Treaded by the progeny of Muhammad ﷺ .



I have seen with my heart's eye
And heard with perceptive ears;
The trumpet of the beauty of Muhammad ﷺ
Echoes everywhere.

This ever-flowing water which I distribute
Freely among God's creatures;
Is but a drop from the ocean
Of the excellences of Muhammad ﷺ .

The fire that burns within me
Is the fire of the love of Muhammad ﷺ ;
The water that I possess
Is from the sweet and pure water of Muhammad ﷺ .

[Majmu'ah Ishtiharat, Vol. 1, p. 97] (Translation from Essence of Islam, Vol. 1)

# The Holy Prophet ﷺ The Torchbearer of Humanity

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The Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a great personality. A detailed record of his life, from his birth to his passing away, has reached us in a most comprehensive manner. The record of his sayings and actions has been so well maintained that no other personality, whose every moment of life, every aspect of his character and teachings has been preserved, can be compared in totality to that of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. In fact, his life is an open book in which his holy and attractive personality is brilliantly shining.

He was born in 570AD in the town of Makkah. At the time, every region of the world was steeped in moral degradation. Christianity's original teachings were on the wane. In India, idol worshipping, and hundreds of "isms" were flourishing. Racial and caste-based discrimination and the dogma of "untouchability" were rampant. In the Qur'an this is depicted in the following words:

*Corruption has appeared on land and sea because of what men's hands have wrought…* (Ch.30:V.42)

Even the so-called civilised nations were at the lowest rung of the religious, moral and spiritual ladder. In fact, in the 5th and 6th centuries, the civilised world was standing at the precipice of moral annihilation. People in general were ill-mannered, unlettered and ignorant. The vices of alcoholism, gambling, oppression, tyranny, violence, cruelty and various other wrongdoings were the order of the day. It was because the Holy Prophet ﷺ's personality was naturally imbued with auspiciousness, obedience to his Creator and the inner-light of Prophethood that he was never affected by the aforementioned ills of society. He was an embodiment of purity, chastity and piety.

It was under these circumstances that Allah the Almighty commissioned the Holy Prophet ﷺ, at the age of 40, to lead mankind in the year of 610AD. When the Holy Prophet ﷺ raised a voice against polytheism and idol-worship and invited the world towards the true and real unity of God, the people of his tribe, and in fact the whole Arab nation, vehemently opposed him. They persecuted him and his followers, but the Holy Prophet ﷺ never wavered and stood firm on his belief in the Oneness of God. Despite having to face intense sufferings and oppression, he steadfastly conveyed the message of God. His followers offered all kinds of sacrifices to nurture the plant of the new faith. They were ready to part company with their near and dear ones and suffered the loss of their assets and possessions for their faith. They were banished from their homes but that failed to move them away even a fraction from their resolve.

The time then came, after thirteen years of persecution, when the Holy Prophet ﷺ and his followers had to migrate from Makkah to Madinah. Even there the opponents did not leave

them alone. They wanted to wipe out Islam with force. For this reason Allah permitted the Holy Prophet ﷺ to fight in self-defence in order to establish peace and freedom of conscience. With the help of his followers, the Holy Prophet ﷺ confronted the perpetrators of suffering. Despite being ill-equipped and with an army of small numbers, Allah made him successful, and this was possible only because Allah's help, support and succour was with the Holy Prophet ﷺ.

Only eight years after the migration from Makkah, the Makkans offered their welcome to the Holy Prophet ﷺ. At that juncture, he could have taken revenge from the Makkans for their previous inhumanity as he had entered as a victorious man, but he chose to forgive all those persecutors. This very act of forgiveness, pardon and general amnesty has no match in the annals of mankind.

I will enumerate those aspects of the Holy Prophet's ﷺ' life, character and teachings that make him the 'torchbearer of humanity' and the unifier of world nations.

## Tauheed – The unique Oneness of God

To create a unity in thoughts and actions, it was essential that a full and real unity of God be accepted and internalised. If all of us have the same Creator, Master, Provider and Nourisher and the Guide, as is the case, then despite our differences in specific beliefs, we can come to a common platform. For this very reason, the Holy Prophet ﷺ has laid stress on the unity of God and proclaimed, "There is none worthy of worship except Allah". "Say Allah is One And He has no partner". So, the Holy Prophet ﷺ invited all nations of the world in this Qur'anic language:

*Say, 'O People of the Book! Come to a word equal between us and you – that we worship none but Allah, and that we associate no partner with Him, and that some of us take not others for Lords beside Allah'…* (Ch3:V65)

The acceptance of this invitation in real earnest would result in the elimination of our differences and our mutual hatred and contempt; resentment and bitterness would dissipate. The Islamic concept of God as Rabbul 'Alameen (Lord of all the worlds) that the Holy Prophet ﷺ presented and promoted before the world, is that our God is not the Nourisher of Muslims only, or of Hindus, Christians or Buddhists only, but the Nourisher of all of us, irrespective of our affiliations and our nomenclatures. Even the one who denies His existence also benefits from the attributes of Allah. This concept of unity of God and His being the Sustainer of all of us is the foundation stone on which the edifice of universal unity and brotherhood can and should be constructed.

Universal Prophethood

It must be remembered that before the advent of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, all prophets, apostles and reformers were sent to specific nations and were confined to certain areas. None of them were given a universal mission, and in fact, none of them made a universal claim. It is the distinction of the Holy Prophet ﷺ of Islam that this message was not confined to the Quraish, or to the Makkans or to the Arabs alone, but was meant for all mankind and all nations. He claimed in the Qur'an:

*Say, 'O mankind! truly I am a Messenger to you all…* (Ch7:V.159)

Thus he invited all nations of the world to the one centre and thus became a harbinger for the unity in their thoughts and actions.

## Freedom of Conscience

Freedom of conscience is the fundamental birthright of every human being. In this contemporary age, after years of experimentation, the United Nations adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948. In its section 18, this birthright has been accepted as the cornerstone of human discourse. But, its foundation was actually laid over 1400 years ago, when the Prophet ﷺ of Islam presented the teaching of the individual and collective right of every person to differ on matters of thought, opinion, attitudes and beliefs. This difference, however, cannot be imposed on others with force, as this would amount to preventing freedom of conscience and shedding the blood of humanity.

*The Holy Qur'an declares forthrightly:*
*There should be no compulsion in religion. Surely, right has become distinct from wrong…* (Ch.2:V.257)

Also it says,
*And say, 'It is the truth from your Lord; wherefore let him who will, believe, and let him who will, disbelieve'…* (Ch.18:V.30)

These teachings are testimony to the freedom of conscience preached by the Prophet of Islam.

## Equality for all

A factor that dismantles the unity of nations is the absence of equality between them. The Holy Prophet ﷺ of Islam played a leading role in doing away with and erasing the racial, colour and caste-based distinctions that existed between various people of the time, and presented before the world an unmatched charter of equality. He gave shape to this charter by the following Qur'anic injunctions:

*O mankind, We have created you from a male and a female; and We have made you into tribes and sub-tribes that you may recognise one another. Verily, the most honourable among you, in the sight of Allah, is he who is the most righteous among you…* (Ch.49:V.14)

This Qur'anic principle of equality was exemplified by the Prophet ﷺ on the occasion of his last sermon. His sermon can be summarised in these words: You are one brotherhood. All people are equal according to Islam. The Arab possesses no superiority over a non-Arab, nor does a non-Arab over an Arab. A white man is no way superior to black man, nor for that matter, a black man to a white man, but only to the extent which a person exhibits righteousness and effort to attain it. According to Islam, there is no distinction in the reward one earns on the basis of colour or progeny.

## Establishment of justice

The establishment of peace requires the implementation of fairness and absolute justice; otherwise the resultant severe repercussions can destroy nations with dreadful consequences. The Holy Prophet ﷺ has therefore stressed that all, irrespective of their status, should be treated with absolute justice. The Qur'anic teaching is very clear on this subject:

*Verily, Allah enjoins justice, and the doing of good to others; and giving like kindred…* (Ch.16:V.91)
The required standard of justice is:

*O ye who believe! be steadfast in the cause of Allah, bearing witness in equity; and let not a people's enmity incite you to act otherwise than with justice. Be always just, that is nearer to righteousness…* (Ch.5:V.9)

The Holy Prophet ﷺ is reported to have said

that previous nations had been destroyed as they punished the weak segment of the society and let go those who were in high social status.

### Respect for the Founders of all faiths

To achieve unity among nations of the world, the Holy Prophet ﷺ has given us a golden rule of respecting and venerating the Founders and holy men of various faiths. If we do not follow this golden rule, it has the potential of creating mutual enmity and ill-will, which destroys the peace of the society and results in bloodshed.

The Holy Prophet ﷺ promoted this Qur'anic teaching to put an end to these in-fights as:

*...there is a Guide for every people.* (Ch.13:V.8)
and
*...there is no people to whom a Warner has not been sent.* (Ch.35:V.25)

Because all God-sent apostles were imbued with the light of the same One God, it is incumbent on us to respect them in equal measure. So one who truly believes in the Holy Prophet ﷺ will consider the respect of other founders of faiths as a part of his faith.

During the lifetime of the Prophet ﷺ a Jew and an Arab were quarrelling over the superiority of their respective Prophets. The Jew's sentiments were hurt by the way the Muslim made his claim. When the Jew complained to the Holy Prophet ﷺ, he admonished the Muslim's behaviour, "Do not exalt me above Moses" he said. This was the high standard of tolerance and courtesy the Holy Prophet ﷺ required from his followers.

### Tolerance

The Holy Prophet ﷺ not only left us with a teaching of respecting other founders of faiths and apostles, but also taught us not to cast aspersions and malign their beliefs and principles:

*...And revile not those whom they call upon beside Allah, lest they, out of spite, revile Allah in their ignorance...* (Ch.6:V.109)

There is a well-known incident of great religious tolerance shown by the Holy Prophet ﷺ in his life. He permitted a Christian delegation from Najran to perform their religious service in his mosque in Madinah. World history has yet to produce this kind of respect and tolerance for the faith of others.

### Against cruelty to animals

The Prophet ﷺ admonished against the cruel treatment of animals and instructed that they be treated with kindness, for they are also God's creation. 'Abdullah bin Mas'ud relates:

"While we were in the course of a journey along with the Holy Prophet ﷺ we saw two young doves in a nest and we caught them. They were still very small. When their mother returned to the nest, not finding her little ones in it, she began to fly wildly round and round. When the Holy Prophet ﷺ arrived at the spot he observed the dove and said, "If any one of you has caught its young ones he must release them at once to comfort it."" (Abu Daw'ud)

On one occasion, the Holy Prophet ﷺ observed somebody branding a donkey on its face. When asked why he was doing this, the person told the Prophet ﷺ that this was the practice followed by the Romans for identifying animals. The Prophet ﷺ said that animals should not be branded on their face, it being a sensitive part of the human

body. If branding was necessary, then it should be performed on the animal's haunch, a less sensitive part of the animal's body.

Last, but by no means least, is how the universal teacher, the Holy Prophet ﷺ of Islam, revolutionised the way the world looked upon women.

## Women's Rights

Before the advent of the Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa ﷺ, the status of women was deplorable. Through his teachings, this status was uplifted to an extremely venerable place in the society. This is attributed to the Holy Prophet ﷺ, as we read in the Qur'an:

*…And they (the women) have rights similar to those (of men) over them in equity.* (Ch.2:V.229)
*…and consort with them in kindness…* (Ch.4:V.20)

In the Traditions of Bukhari, there is a specific saying of the Holy Prophet ﷺ to the effect that one who treats his wife in an excellent manner is very close to his God. In the cultural arena, the Holy Prophet ﷺ allotted the same rights to women as those of men, keeping in view their respective God-given characteristics. Islam was the first religion that provided women with the right of inheritance. In the matter of inheritance she receives a specified share from the assets of her relatives. She is the full owner of her wealth and savings, and is free to do with her property or money as she pleases. And, of course, in the spiritual sense men and women are declared of equal status as set forth in the Qur'an:

*…'I will allow not the work of any worker from among you, whether male or female, to be lost. You are from one another…* (Ch.3:V.196)

The Holy Prophet ﷺ was so sensitive of women's feelings that once, when he was leading prayers, he heard a child crying and finished the prayers quickly. Afterwards he explained that, upon hearing the cry of the child, he thought that the child's mother must also have been troubled; hence he concluded the service so that she could attend to the child. He would always advise those who had to leave on journey to try and return home as soon as possible so that their wives and children would not feel the pains of separation for too long. He placed great stress on kindness to women, and would often say that if a father took it upon himself to educate his daughters and care for their upbringing, God would save him from the hell-fire. He said:

"Woman has been created from a rib and the most crooked part of the rib is the uppermost. If you try to straighten it you will break it and if you leave it alone it will remain crooked. So treat women kindly."

The personality, character, actions and sayings of the Holy Prophet ﷺ are such that if they are adopted by the civilised world in real earnest, this world can become a peaceful place and complex problems can be solved easily. A great writer of the English world, George Bernard Shaw, said:
"He must be called the Saviour of humanity. I believe, if a man like him were to assume the dictatorship of modern world, he would succeed in solving its problems in a way that would bring it the much needed peace and happiness."

What an immense tribute to the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ ! For a Muslim, the Holy Prophet ﷺ is the ideal model to be imitated and the wisdom of the Holy Qur'an is reflected in his deeds and statements that we must strive to follow.

اللّٰہُ لَاۤ اِلٰہَ اِلَّا ہُوَ الۡحَیُّ الۡقَیُّوۡمُ

# Our God, a Living God

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Part 2

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**The Living God of Islam – The one who cures the ill people**

In the Holy Quran, an attribute of the Living God has been mentioned. And that is:

يُجِيۡبُ الۡمُضۡطَرَّ اِذَا دَعَاهُ 27:63

That he listens and answers to the call and prayer of a distressed person. When worldly means of help and aid cease to exist, then the living God comes to the aid of His beloved people. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام has very beautifully said:

*"Surely our Lord is recognised only through prayers"*

(Malfoozat Vol 3 Pg. 201 – 1984 Edition London)

In this regard, the illness and miraculous recovery of the wife of Hadhrat Mufti Fazl-ur-Rahman Sahib رضي الله عنه holds extraordinary splendour. He relates that his wife became seriously ill after the birth of their child. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام became very worried upon hearing the condition of her illness. With prayers, Hudhur advised some medicine straight away. The severity of the illness grew more and more. She was given different medicines but her condition worsened more than before and to the extent that it felt as if she had reached her last stage; as if she was taking her last few breaths and will depart from this world and move on to the next world, death seemed inevitable. Upon this Mufti Sahib went to the Promised Messiah عليه السلام again in a state of distress. Hudhur said:

*"We tried every worldly remedy we could possibly think of. Now there is only one weapon left to use and that is the weapon of prayer. You go, I will only stop praying once she gets better."*

Upon hearing these words from the Promised Messiah عليه السلام, Hadhrat Mufti Sahib said to himself that now what do you have to worry about? Now the prophet of God has taken it upon himself. He returned home and left his ill wife in her state and went to sleep in another room.

Look at the majestic power of the living God and the wonders of the Promised Messiah's عليه السلام acceptance of prayers that the next morning Mufti Sahib woke up from the sound of some dishes and what did he see? He saw that his wife was setting some dishes in order. When asked about her health, she said that you were sleeping and God Almighty blessed me with another life.

(Seerat Ahmad by Hadhrat Maulavi Qudratullah Sanuri رضي الله عنه Pages 170-172)

A similar faith inspiring incident took place in

western Africa in Benin a few years ago. The wife of a king in Benin became seriously ill. There was no lack of financial resources, every form of possible treatment was used but her condition kept getting worse every moment. At that time the situation was such that she was breathing her last few breaths and at any moment, she could have stopped breathing. In a state of helplessness and anxiety he sat next to his wife's bed in deep sorrow and all of sudden he happened to look at a frame in which there was a piece of a garment of the Promised Messiah ﷺ and that reminded him of a revelation of the Promised Messiah ﷺ that "Kings will seek blessing from thy garments". The Ahmadi king had firm belief in that heavenly prophecy and took that frame and placed it on the chest of his wife. Then he himself placed a prayer mat in front of him and prostrated before his Mighty Lord. The living God listened to the prayer of the distressed and after the king completed his prayer and looked up, his wife said that by the grace and blessings of God Almighty I am perfectly fine. This is the example of the living God and His manifestations which are presented by Islam.

### The Living God – the Provider of all needs

One attribute of God Almighty which has been mentioned in the Holy Quran is:

وهو معكم اينما كنتم 57:5

*"He is with you where ever you may be."* The companionship of God Almighty is not the only thing mentioned here rather the following meanings are also included, which are that He is the provider of the needs of His people, He is the one who knows what's in His people's hearts and He is the one who fulfils even those desires which are hidden in one's heart. This is the Living God who is always with His beloved people and it's as if they spend their lives in the lap of God Almighty.

In this regard, there is a narration of Hadhrat Maulwi Fazl Deen Sahib ؓ which is very faith inspiring and is something which can turn one's conception of a living God into firm belief. He states: "One day Hadhrat Maulana Ghulam Rasul Sahib Rajaiki ؓ took me to a store that sold fruits and started buying various fruits. I wanted him to buy some grapes as well. He bought various kinds of fruits but did not buy any grapes and started walking back home. He walked a bit and then all of sudden he turned back to go to the same fruit shop and bought some grapes. After that they started to walk towards their home and he said to me along the way:

*"If you wanted grapes, you should have told me. Why did you make God tell me?"*

(Al Fazl Rabwah Januray 1995)

### The river began flowing in the opposite direction

The mercy and power of the living God are immeasurable. They are manifested in every walk of life. Maulana Muhammad Siddiq Sahib Amritsari has mentioned a very interesting and faith inspiring incident with regards to preaching. He writes that in Sierra Leone in the state of Wandoka there was a section chief Qasim Kamanda who was extremely biased and an opponent of the Jama'at. He was so firm in his doctrines of Christianity and such a staunch enemy of Ahmadiyyat that once when they did Tabligh to him, he blatantly said that look, this river which is in front of my village and flows from top to bottom; it may be possible for this river change its direction and start flowing from the bottom to the top but it is not possible for me to become Ahmadi at all.

On one hand, there was this stance of chief Kamanda and on the other hand we can see a manifestation of the immeasurable power and

mercy of the Living God that after a few days it just so happened that an ordinary local Mu'allim named 'Pasuri Baah' who was not a highly intellectual scholar met him. He did some Tabligh to him for a few days. After that the chief wrote to Maulana Muhammad Siddiq Sahib Amritsari that although I said that the river in front of the village can flow in the opposite direction but I cannot and will not become an Ahmadi; but I would like to give you the glad tiding that there is no doubt that Ahmadiyyat is true; and you can come and see this for yourself, this river has started to flow in the opposite direction and by the grace and blessings of Allah, I have now become an Ahmadi.

(Ruh paroor yaadein by Maulavi Muhammad Saddiq Amritsari Sb Pg. 420)

### The living God shook the entire country

The wonders of the living God are innumerable. The omnipotent God manifests such astonishing incidents that he proves His existence and His greatness.

The incident of Hadhrat Maulana Nazir Ahmad Sahib Mubasher is also worthy to be mentioned. The days in which he was preaching in Ghana, a young adult from Mecca came back and started spreading this propaganda that Ahmadis make false statements; the Imam Mahdi has not yet appeared. In order to meet this young adult, Maulana Nazir Sahib went to a village called Saraha where he resided but he was not willing to talk face to face. Maulana Nazir Sahib conducted a marvellous Jalsa in that village and delivered a comprehensive speech about the signs of the advent of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام. He conducted the Jalsa and returned but the opposition started having riots in various towns and as per their tradition, they wore white pieces of cloth on their heads and held white flags in their hands chanting the words that "we have been victorious, the Mahdi has not come because earthquakes have not taken place. If the Mahdi had come then surely, an earthquake would have taken place."

This demand from the opponents was such that no man had the power to fulfil it. However, the Lord who is the creator and master of the heavens and the earth has the power to do anything and everything.

The omnipotent God then showed this miracle in favour and in support of His true Imam Mahdi عليه السلام that within a few days an earthquake of great magnitude struck the whole of Ghana and the very people who used to say that the Mahdi has not yet come because earthquakes have not taken place, they started to openly announce that the Mahdi of the Muslims has come.

Allah! Allah! What magnificent glory this was, that the Living God truly shook the people of Ghana to prove the truthfulness of his messenger and in this way He manifested a magnificent sign of His omnipotence which proved to be a means of guidance for many people.

(Ruh paroor yaadein by Maulavi Muhammad Saddiq Amritsari Sb Pages 77-79)

### The living God brought the ship back

The late Dr. Sardar Nazir Ahmad Sahib was amazing at calling people to the path of God Almighty. He had immense passion for preaching. He says that once he was on a ship full of Hajis and was working as a doctor. On the way back when the ship reached Aden, he went out into the city to do Tabligh and the ship happened to leave without him. Various kinds of difficulties were faced. If a passenger had died God forbid, then legal action could have been taken. He says that I prayed and fell asleep in this state. I saw in a dream that the ship has returned. The people to whom I was doing Tabligh to till the evening were already laughing at me that his ship has departed and now he's going to go through some difficulties. When I

announced in the morning that God Almighty has informed me that my ship will return, they started laughing even more. They said look at how he has become a mad man; has a ship ever returned in this manner?

Dr Nazir Sahib says that at dawn, people witnessed a very strange and unbelievable sight before their eyes. They saw that the ship had in actual fact returned to its port. I was thankful to God Almighty and boarded the ship.

The actual reason for the return of the ship was the will of God. The apparent reason was that to travel without the flag of peace during the days of war was not safe. The ship had to come back to get this flag and in this way, people witnessed a manifestation of the living God.

(Narrated by Sardar Hameed Ahmad Sb son of Dr Nazir Ahmad Sb)

### A magnificent manifestation of the Mighty Lord

God Almighty is the creator of means and/or cause and effect. Everything in the world is in His power. Sometimes a manifestation of His existence may be shown in this way that through means of the unseen, He creates such circumstances which apparently seem impossible yet they emerge in extraordinary ways and become a testimony to the existence of the Living God.

The incident involving the late Maulana Abdul Malik Khan Sahib is a tremendous example of this. He was in Lahore when he received the instruction of Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih II رضی اللہ عنہ that:

*"The foreign government have written a letter to the Pakistani government. Obtain a copy of that letter and send it to me immediately."*

That was apparently a very difficult task. He went to Karachi straight away; there was a school board close to a bus stop which taught Arabic. There was a mistake in the Arabic text upon which he spontaneously smiled. The principal of the school was standing right there and asked him why he smiled. Abdul Malik Sahib told him his reason for smiling and so the principal invited him to come to his school. Abdul Malik Sahib went to the school the next day and he gave him an Arabic letter and kindly requested him to translate it. He took a copy of the letter from him and when he read it, he discovered that this is the same letter for which he came to Karachi in search of. He translated the letter for the school and sent a copy of the letter to Hadhrat Musleh Maud رضی اللہ عنہ.

(MTA Interview Abdul Rabbul Anwar Sb)

### The Living God and the Bestowal of male children

Whilst mentioning the true essence of the Living God, the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has said that the Living God of Islam is the God who is Self-Subsisting and Self-Sustaining. He accepts prayers and informs us of their acceptance. He who is the true God is our God.

Sometimes the eternal God shows His manifestation in this way that He listens to prayers and answers them through His divine word. These are not just mere claims rather; these examples can be seen in the lives of true believers. Such incidents are innumerable. I would like to present three examples which relate to couples being blessed with male children.

Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih III رحمہ اللہ once said at an occasion:

*"A woman wrote to me from western Africa that I have been married for 37 years but we remain deprived of the blessing of children… She further wrote that apparently, I have reached the age where it seems that it is impossible*

*to have a child. Hudhur says that I started praying for her, God Almighty accepted my prayers and blessed her with a child after 40 years."*

(Al Fazl 27 July 1971 Page 3 – Rasala Misbah June – July 2008 Pg.190)

Fateh Muhammad Sahib accepted Ahmadiyyat in 1921 or 1922. He writes that four other people accepted Ahmadiyyat along with me. Coincidentally all five of us new converts only had daughters. Not a single one of us had a son. Opponents started to say that because these people have become Mirzai that is why they will only have daughters. Fateh Muhammad Sahib says that I was very much grieved upon hearing this. I went to Hadhrat Musleh Maud رضي الله عنه straight away and requested for him to pray that may all of us new converts have a son. Hudhur prayed right then and there and immediately replied:

*"God Almighty will bless all of you with a son"*

Look at the splendour and glory of words of the beloved of God. Hudhur gave the glad tidings of a son to all five families and the omnipotent God showed His manifestation in this way that after some time, God Almighty blessed all five of them with a son and shut the mouths of the opponents.

(Al Fazl International 25th September 2015 Pg. 15)

Respected Abdul Hameed Khurshid Afandi Sahib has the honour of being the first Egyptian Ahmadi to go to Qadian. The late Mustafa Sabit Sahib says that Afandi Sahib once said to him that in 1936 when I went to Qadian, I said to Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih II رضي الله عنه that I have been married for 15 years but am still deprived of the blessing of children. He sincerely requested Hudhur for prayers and so Hudhur promised to pray for him. Before his departure from Qadian, they met each other to bid farewell and Hudhur said to him that I have prayed for you and God Almighty has accepted my prayer. He will bless you with Jalaluddin, Shamsuddin and Aisha. Upon hearing this glad tiding, the joy and happiness of Afandi Sahib was unexplainable. A few months after he returned and his wife became pregnant, he started telling people with firm faith that we are going to have a son named Jalaluddin. Some people even said to him that it is not appropriate to spread this as the gender is unknown but he had such firm faith in the glad tiding given by Hudhur; he was sure that this prophecy would be fulfilled in the order that it was given; and that is exactly what happened. First he had a son named Jalaluddin, then he had a son named Shamsuddin and then he had a daughter named Aisha.

This is a manifestation of the living God who not only listens to prayers but answers them as well and fulfils them.

*Whatever I say* | *I will do*
*That will always happen* | *and that is the omnipotence of God*

## The living God who helps in trials and tribulations

Divine communities always go through times of difficulties however, the Living and Omnipotent God always helps the true believers and not only does he give them salvation from their opponents but he also takes them to great heights of excellence, progress and advancement. The 127 years of the Ahmdiyya Muslim Community's history is a living testimony of this. One example of this is that in 1953 there was a scheme which led intense and harsh opposition and in such circumstances, Ahmadis sacrificed their lives and proved the strength of their faith and sincerity. As this scheme carried out its activities, on one occasion, the Imam of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at was sent an order to generally keep his mouth shut. This order came as a notice on a particular instruction from the government of Panjab on the

19th of March 1953. Hudhur took the notice but also said to the messenger who brought the notice in a very bold manner that "My neck or life may be in the hands of your governor but the neck or life of your governor is in the hands of my Lord. Your governor has done whatever he wanted to do. Now my Lord will show His hand."
(Tareekh Ahmadiyyat Vol 15 Pg.242)

An overview of the way in which the omnipotent and living God helped and aided the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at in this great time of difficulty is that the central government of Pakistan sent an order for Mr. I. I. Chandrigar to be suspended from his office who at that time was the governor of Punjab and because of whom the initial notice was sent. So he was suspended and then Mian Aminuddin Sahib was elected as the governor of Punjab who withdrew this heinous notice on the 1st of May 1953. Allahu Akbar Wallahul Hamd. This is the living God of Islam who helps His people in trials and tribulations and becomes their last means of hope and support.

### A radiant sign of the omnipotence of the Living God

The year 1984 is a milestone in the history of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at. Due to the blasphemy law, when it was declared to be a crime for the members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at to profess the religion of Islam as their faith, to act upon Islamic teachings and to propagate Islam, at that time through divine guidance from God Almighty and through the advice of the revered elders, Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih IV رضی اللہ عنہ decided to migrate to England from Pakistan. This was a very difficult stage. Rabwah had been surrounded by undercover agencies and spies from every corner. In these circumstances there were enormous difficulties lying ahead of their journey at every step of the way. Under the divine help and protection of the living God, Hudhur travelled to Karachi from Rabwah in a car. The journey he was to take from Karachi was even more dangerous where security was very tight. Hudhur said that I will travel in my normal clothing and if at any stage the government puts any restrictions on me to leave the country then I will abide by that.

The heavenly decree of the Living God was also in work. Hudhur reached the airport. His name as 'Imam Jama'at Ahmadiyya' was clearly written on his passport but the decree of God Almighty was such that the letter or order which the unjust dictator signed and sent forward to authorities had the name Hadhrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad رحمہ اللہ. It was very difficult for the security officers to make a decision. It was midnight. Every attempt to contact the dictator turned out to be futile and at last, that man of God was permitted to fly and Hudhur reached London safe and sound. The safe arrival of Hudhur was a great miracle which reminds us of the migration of the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ from Mecca to Medina. If he had been stopped at any stage, history could have been completely different but who can come in the way of the heavenly decree?

The plan and decree of the Living God was fulfilled. Ahmadiyyat proved to be victorious. Ahmadiyyat prevailed and the enemy failed and remained unsuccessful as always. This incident was a manifestation of the omnipotent and living God and this was a truly faith inspiring sign from God Almighty.

### Phenomenal manifestations of the Living God

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at is the heavenly scheme which was established by the Will of God for the rejuvenation of Islam. This is the Shajra-e-Tayyiba (i.e. the pure tree) which has been sown by the true master. Ever since its inception till this

very day, the enemies of Ahmadiyyat have tried to cut this tree and obliterate Ahmadiyyat with all their might and power but their attempts to do so have always remained futile. People who tried to destroy Ahmadiyyat departed from this world in their futile attempts and day by day Ahmadiyyat has flourished and has spread and will keep spreading to all the corners of the world.

Who does not know about one of the apparently popular governors of Pakistan, once very confidently and boastfully states that my position will never be taken. He even claimed that he would make the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at so destitute that it would soon perish. The world saw that this very governor became a sign of admonition with great humility and disgrace and departed from this world. He and his friends kept begging for forgiveness and for their lives but to no avail and the divine decree of the Living God was fulfilled magnificently and this enemy of Ahmadiyyat met his fatal end.

Then after that another unjust and tyrannical governor started to tread the same path. He tried to make the blasphemy law established by his predecessor even stricter. That dictator said heinous things to make his followers happy. He even went to the extent to say that Ahmadiyyat is a cancer God forbid and that my government will destroy it from its very roots. A Mubahila (i.e. a prayer duel) was presented but he did not have the courage to accept it. He remained firm in his opposition and kept blazing the fire of persecution against the Jama'at. At last, the wrath of the omnipotent God befell upon him. He was on his plane which was highly protected but despite all of the protection, he could not save himself from the sins he had committed and within a few seconds, he burned to death in the blaze of fire along with his 33 army chiefs. Not a single person survived. It was such a dreadful death that a single part of his body did not remain intact. His ashes were gathered and were used to make his grave to show the world.

These are only a mere glimpse of the global manifestations of the Living God of Islam. This is a subject which can never be fully encompassed.

Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V أيده الله تعالى بنصره العزيز states:
"In following the Imam of the age, a true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. May God enable us to spread the message of the Living God to the world and may we make them realize that there is a Living God who exists; He still listens and shows signs; return to Him; come to Him; may we also develop a living relationship with God and act upon His teachings and worship Him as is His due right. May we become the recipients of His blessings and may we and our generations always remain protected from associating partners with God Almighty in every regard."
(Friday Sermon 18th April 2014)

**The Promised Messiah عليه السلام states:**
*"How unfortunate is the man who does not know that he has a God Who has power to do all that He wills. Our paradise lies in our God. Our highest delight is in our God for we have seen Him and have found every beauty in Him. This wealth is worth procuring though one might have to lay down one's life to procure it. This ruby is worth purchasing though one may have to lose oneself to acquire it. O ye, who are bereft! Run to this fountain and it will satisfy you. It is the fountain of life that will save you. What shall I do, and how shall I impress the hearts with this good news, and by beating what drum shall I make the announcement that this is our God, so that people might hear? What remedy shall I apply to the ears of the people so that they should listen?"*
(Kashti-e-Nuh, Ruhani Khazain, Volume 19, Page 21-22)



# The Farewell Sermon



*In the 9th year of Hijra (630 CE) the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ decided to travel to Mecca to perform the Hajj. Accompanied by more than 100,000 Muslims he reached the planes of Arafat. Mounted on a camel, the Holy Prophet ﷺ delivered a sermon that is widely known as the "Farewell Sermon".*

*The Farewell Sermon reminds us of the importance of equality and justice, of rights and responsibilities, and briefly encompasses the Islamic message of dignity, justice and freedom for all. The need to follow the teachings of the Holy Qur'an as guidance for humanity is also highlighted. Here are some extracts of this sermon:*

"O men, lend me an attentive ear. For I know not whether I will stand before you again in this valley and address you as I address you now. Your lives and your possessions have been made immune by God to attacks by one another until the Day of Judgement. God has appointed for everyone a share in the inheritance. No 'will' shall now be admitted which is prejudicial to the interests of a rightful heir. A child born in any house will be regarded as the child of the father in that house. Whoever contests the parentage of this child will be liable to punishment under the Law of Islam. Anyone who attributes his birth to someone else's father, or falsely claims someone to be his master, God, His angels and the whole of mankind will curse him."

"O men, you have some rights against your wives, but your wives also have some rights against you."

"O men, you still have in your possession some prisoners of war. I advise you, therefore, to feed them and to clothe them in the same way and style as you feed and clothe yourselves. If they do anything wrong which you are unable to forgive, then pass them on to someone else. They are part of God's creation. To give them pain or trouble can never be right."

"O men, what I say to you, you must hear and remember. All Muslims are as brethren to one another. All of you are equal. All men, whatever nation or tribe they may belong to, and whatever station in life they may hold, are equal."

While he was saying this the Prophet ﷺ raised his hands and joined the fingers of the one hand with the fingers of the other and then said:

"Even as the fingers of the two hands are equal, so are human beings equal to one another. No one has any right, any superiority to claim over another. You are as brothers."

"Even as this month is sacred, this land inviolate, and this day holy, so has God made the lives, property and honour of every man sacred. To take any man's life or his property, or attack his honour, is as unjust and wrong as to violate the sacredness of this day, this month, and this territory. What I command you today is not meant only for today. It is meant for all time. You are expected to remember it and to act upon it until you leave this world and go to the next to meet your Maker."

[Sihah Sitta, Tabari, Hisham and Khamis, English Translation: Life of Muhammad ﷺ, pp. 183-185]

# Online National Taleem Rally

Majlis Ansarullah UK has been able to hold its National Taleem Rally (online) on the 27th and 28th of June 2020. The initial idea came from the successful Online International Mushaira that was held on 27 May 2020. Due to the current circumstances, it was not possible to hold the National Ijtema. So, with the approval of Sadr Sahib Ansarullah UK, Taleem Department decided to conduct a virtual National Taleem Rally on the same dates that were selected for the National Ijtema. A committee consisting of 6 members of the National Amla Majlis Ansarullah UK was formed. These members were:

- Dr Mansoor Ahmad Saqi Sahib Naib Sadr
- Rafi Ahmad Bhatti Sahib Naib Sadr *(IT & Website)*
- Muhammad Mahmood Khan Sahib Qaid Amoomi *(Communication, Publicity & Prizes)*
- Naeem Gulzar Sahib Qaid Isha'at *(Posters & Promo)*
- Azhar Iqbal Sahib *(Social Media & Live Programme)*
- Raja Burhan Ahmad Sahib, Qaid Taleem *(Competitions, Overall In charge)*

After the initial planning in a detailed meeting (via Zoom) with the Regional Nazimeen-e-Alaa and Nazimeen Taleem, details were conveyed to the Regions regarding this Rally. The plan for conducting the academic competitions was then developed in three stages; these are outlined below.

## Stage 1

- Each region submitted names of 2 Ansar per competition along with their audio recordings. The deadline for these entries was 20th of June 2020.
- These Ansar were selected on the basis of regional competitions/Ijtema'at or directly nominated by the Regions.
- A total of 135 Ansar were selected from Regions. Some of these Ansar qualified for multiple competitions, so in total we received over 150 entries.

## Stage 2

- A system was developed by Rafi sb and his team worked to send the correct recordings to the relevant judges.
- The judges marked these entries and the lists of finalists were created within 24 hours.
- This stages involved a large panel of judges; some of them were also invited to judge the finalists during the livestream. Other judges include Aqeel Ahmad Kang Sahib (Murabbi Silsila Birmingham), Humayon Uppal Sahib (Murabbi Silsila Oxford), Rabeeb Ahmad Mirza Sahib (Murabbi Silsila Feltham and Hounslow) and Saeed Ahmad Rafiq Sahib (Murabbi Silsila PS office).

## Stage 3

- Finalists were contacted individually by Azhar Sb's Team, with a special effort from Muzaffer Sb.
- A training session was conducted for the Judges and 2 such session were held for the contestants. This was to ensure that all technical problems are resolved beforehand.
- Further rehearsals were also done on the 25th and 26th of June.
- 15 Judges, 35 Finalists were shortlisted to take part in the livestream of the competitions.
- A Sadqa Bakra was given before start of our live programme.

On 27th of June, 2020, at 11am the inaugural session took place. It started with the recitation of the Holy Quran (Surah Al-Baqarah verses 149 & 150) with English Translation by Faizan Rajpoot Sahib.This was followed by a nazm by Moeed Hamid Sahib who presented 3 Urdu couplets from the poetry of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام with English Translation. As instructed by Sadr Sahib, I as Qaid Taleem, formally inaugurated the Rally by presenting some extracts from the Address delivered by Hazrat Ameerul Momineen Khalifatul Masih V ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز at the National Ijtema of Majlis Ansarullah UK, 2019. Huzur ایدہ اللہ said: **"the members of Majlis Ansarullah should evaluate themselves sincerely to see whether they are striving to spend their lives according to the expectations of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام given that they are called "Ansarullah" [Helpers of Allah]. What did the Promised Messiah عليه السلام expect from us? Until we do not search for an answer to this question and until we do not formulate our course of action in light of the teachings of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام, which in essence are the true teachings of the Holy Qur'an and the Holy Prophet ﷺ , and continuously assess ourselves, we cannot adhere to these teachings."**

Huzur ایدہ اللہ also mentioned: **"May Allah the Almighty enable us to act upon the guidance given to us by the Promised Messiah عليه السلام and having pledged allegiance to him, may we fulfil the due rights of this Bai'at. Through acting upon the commands of God Almighty and the Holy Prophet ﷺ , may we make good our fortunes in this life and in the hereafter. May God Almighty enable us to become the true personification of Ansarullah [Helpers of God] and may we set a pious example for our progenies to follow. May we attain the pleasure of God Almighty."**

This ceremony ended with silent prayer. Tilawat, English Speech and Azan competitions were livestreamed after this. We were live again at 11am on the 28th of June, with recitation by Mahmoodullah Khan Sahib (Surah As-Saff verse 15) with English Translation. This was followed by Urdu Speech competition, followed by the Nazm competition. Respected Dr Ijaz Ur Rahman Sahib, Sadr Majlis Ansarullah UK, chaired concluding ceremony. Dawood Ahmad Sahib recited verse 10 to 13 Surah Zumur of the Holy Quran. Farooq Mehmood Sahib read out English translation. Umar Sharif Sahib presented Urdu couplets form the poetry of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام.

وہ دُور ہیں خدا سے جو تقویٰ سے دُور ہیں
ہر دم اَسیر نخوت و کبر و غرور ہیں

Raja Burhan Ahmad, Qaid Taleem, presented detailed report with results.
Respected Sadr Sahib Majlis Ansarullah UK in his concluding speech thanked everyone and read out an extract from the address of Hazrat Ameerul Momineen Khalifatul Masih V ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز and the event ended with Dua. Qaid Taleem has been writing continuously to Huzur e Anwar ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز for his prayers and no doubt that all proceedings went smoothly because of blessings of Allah Almighty and Huzur's prayers.

## Results

We note that this was a very different experience for our participants, and performing live over the internet is significantly difficult. The judges declared the following participants as position winners. All positions holder will be awarded a trophy, a certificate of achievement and a Book.

## Tilawat Competition

| | | |
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| 1st | Dawood Ahmed | Manchester North |
| 2nd | Faizan Ahmad Rajput | Morden South |
| 3rd | Mahmoodullah khan | Battersea |
| 4th | Moeed Hamid | Baitul Futuh East |

## Nazm Competition

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| 1st | Mujahid Javid | Southmead |
| 2nd | Mudassir Ahmad Shahid | Thornton Heath West |
| 3rd | Hafiz Mubarak Ahmad | Manchester West |
| 4th | Khalid Mahmood Butt | Hayes |

## English Speech Competition

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| 1st | Farooq Mahmood | Surbiton |
| 2nd | Dr Mirza Azhar Siddiq | Walsall |
| 3rd | Abayomi Ibrahim Motajo | Glasgow |
| 4th | Noman Mahmood | Bristol |

## Speech Urdu Competition

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| 1st | Sharf-ur-Rahman | Slough |
| 2nd | Saeed Ahmad Bhatti | Wandsworth Town |
| 3rd | Ghulam Rasool | Earls field |
| 4th | Farid M Mubashir | Birmingham South |
| 4th | Azhar Iqbal | Epsom |

## Azaan Competition

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| 1st | Toban Ephram | Wolverhampton |
| 2nd | Faizan Ahmed Rajput | Morden South |
| 3rd | Moeed Hamid | Baitul Futuh East |
| 4th | Dawood Ahmed | Manchester North |

## Essay Writing Competition (English)

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|---|---|---|
| 1st | Dr Tayyeb Ahmed Mansoor | Baitul Futuh |
| 2nd | Abdul Saheed Nasirudeen | Barking and Dagenham |
| 3rd | Pro. Asif Ali Sahib | Hounslow East |
| 4th | Mansoor Ahmad Sb | Raynes Park |

## Essay Writing Competition (Urdu)

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|---|---|---|
| 1st | Ehsanullah Qamar | Clapham Junction |
| 2nd | Hidayatullah Shad | Deer Park |
| 3rd | Nazar Muhammad Khokar | Upper Mitchem |
| 4th | Ch Naz Ahmad Nasir | BF South |
| 5th | Sh Rafiq Ahmad Tahir | Baitul Futuh South |
| 6th | Naeem Tahir | Slough |
| 7th | Shahzada Mubashir | Glasgow South |
| 8th | Waheed Ahmed | Battersea |
| 9th | Malik M Sajjad Akbar | Shirley |
| 10th | Nasir Ahmad | Tooting Bec |

## Tarbiyyat Forum - Birmingham South

Alhamdolillah, on 21st of June 2020 at 7:00 pm, Tarbiyyat Department of Majlis Ansarullah Birmingham South held a Tarbiyyat Forum on Zoom. It was uploaded on YouTube and is available on the link:
https://youtu.be/uRM4uGvF9go

Planning of this event started two weeks before the date. An event committee was formed for the planning and a successful event organisation. Once the planning was finalised by the committee, it was discussed and endorsed by the Aamla. The event theme was "Ansarullah responsibilities under the guidance of Khulafaye Ahmadiyyat".

The event was chaired by Zaeem Majlis Ansarullah, Shakeel Ahmad Choudhary sahib. Event's chief guest was Imam Ata ul Mujeeb Rashed sahib who graciously spared his precious time and delivered a speech on "Tarbiyyat e Aulad under the guidance of Hazrat Khalifat ul Masih Awaal رضي الله عنه".

After Tilawat and Hadith delivered by four Children of our Ansar brothers, Imam sahib delivered his speech which was very useful for all the Ansar brothers. Later, four of our Ansar brothers delivered excerpts from

the sayings of other Khulafaye Ahmadiyyat emphasizing some other responsibilities of Ansarullah like Taaleem ul Quran and Qayam e Namaz etc. One of our Nasir delivered a summary of all four excerpts in English before Imam sahib lead us in Dua.

Alhamdolillah, 42 Ansar households attended this event with their 109 family members. 19 guests also joined us on the day. Guests include, respected Maulana Abdul Ghaffar sahib, Nazim e Aala and Nazim Tarbiyyat Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands Tariq Majeed sahib and Mubashar Nadeem sahib, some Zomaa Majaalis Mirza Muzafar Ahmad sahib, Nadeem Syed sahib, Rafi Shah Nawaz sahib, and Muhammad Rasheed Virk sahib.

## Tarbiyyat Forum - Majlis Morden South



Majlis Ansarullah Morden South, Baitul Futuh Region organized a Tarbiyyat forum on 16 February 2020. Programme started with the recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by Poem and Dars-e-Hadith. After that Atfal gave presentations. To make it interactive, a quiz competition was held for Atfal. Prizes were distributed by Maulana Fazl Ur Rehman Nasir Sahib, Qaid Tarbiyyat Majlis Ansarullah UK, who gave the concluding address. Dinner was also served. Fifteen families (including Ansar, Khuddam, Lajna, Atfal and Nasirat) joined the Tarbiyyat forum. It was a successful and interesting programme.

## Tabligh Event - Baitul Futuh Region




Sunday 2nd February 2020

Majlis Ansarullah Baitul Futuh Region organised a Tabligh event on Sunday 2nd February 2020. 15 members of 5 Majalis participated in this Tabligh event. Leafleting was organised at various spots in Morden Town Centre, including Morden underground station, Merton Council building, Sainsbury's and Iceland Supermarkets, spreading the message of Ahmadiyyat - True Islam in local community. 596 leaflets were distributed Alhamdolillah. 3 Life of Muhammad ﷺ were given as well. One lady who came to stall, said that she was aware of the good work that Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is doing. She selected www3 leaflet. Another lady took the "Promised Messiah عليه السلام has come" leaflet, she came back after some time to get another one for her friend. May Allah open their hearts. Ameen. May Allah bless all the participants in Tabligh event and accept their efforts.



# MAJALIS & REGIONAL ACTIVITY REPORTS

## Ashra Tabligh - Baitul Futuh Region




21 February – 1 March 2020

Baitul Futuh Region participated in the Ashra Tabligh (21 February to 1 March 2020). A "Messiah Has Come" Tabligh Exhibition was held in Merton Council Library. A LCD slider with "Messiah Has Come" slide was on 24hr display in Merton Council Library during Ashra. 7 village and 14 city Tabligh stalls were held where 1646 leaflets and 11 books were distributed. 23 Ansar participated in Tabligh activities.

## Amila Meeting - Baitul Futuh Region

During the COVID-19 lockdown, Majlis Ansarullah Baitul Futuh Region has been holding virtual ZOOM Regional Amila meetings, Tarbiyyat programmes, Tabligh forums, Isaar forums, social media training sessions and other routine meetings to carry on the work of each department, Alhamdolillah. Ansar brothers are becoming increasingly aware of the use of virtual meeting techniques and showing a great deal of interest to use advance technology.

## Quran Class - Baitul Noor Region



Baitul Noor region held four Quran classes in the month of June. This weekly class is held every Saturday, due to current COVID19 lock-down this activity is held via Zoom.

Respected Murabbi Sharjeel Ahmad Sahib takes these classes and the average attendance is 25 members. Some members attend the class with their children.

## Social Media Training - Noor Region

Noor region organised a Social Media training on Sunday 26th April 2020 at 3:00 pm via Zoom. Training started at 3:15pm with the recitation and translation of the holy Quran by M Zahoor Ahmed, Nazim Tabligh Noor region and chaired by Nazim e Ala Noor Region Hayat Muhammad Mirzas sb.

Kaleem Ahmed sb Naib Nazim Tabligh introduced social media, its importance and delivered a power point presentation on the topic. Then the members were asked to download twitter app on their phones as per given instructions. Many participants successfully manged to download the app during the meeting and followed the ansar twitter accounts. 47 Ansar from 9 majalis of Noor region were participated in the training. It was a great and successful programme. The programme ended with silent prayer lead by Hayat Muhammad Mirza sb Nazim e Ala.

## Tabligh Forums - Noor Region

Noor region held a Tabligh Forum on 1st March Baitul Ehsan Mosque. The event started with the recitation and translation of the holy Quran by Naseer Ahmed Abid sb, and chaired by Qaid Sb Tabligh Ahmed Nasiruddin sb. Ashra Tabligh report was presented by Regional Nazim sb Tabligh. Regional Coordinator Professor Nawaz sb delivered an inspirational address which encouraged the participants to actively take part in the Tabligh activities. Hayat Muhammad Mirza sb Nazim e Ala sb insisted muntizmeen Tabligh to form Tabligh committees in their majalis. Qaid sb Tabligh concluded the session with useful instructions and silent prayers.



## Isaar Seminar - Tahir Region

All Ansar above 65 years of age are regularly contacted throughout this lockdown period. A regional seminar for Ansar specially above 65 years was planned and ansar from all majalis participated in this online seminar. About 40 members attended this seminar. A very informative medical advice related to health and safety during this pandemic and keynote address from Quaid sahib Isaar, Majlis Ansarullah, UK were the key features of this seminar. Few ansar sent their video messages regarding their activities and how to organize the daily schedule during isolation.

## Isaar Activity - Northwest Region

Majlis Ansarullah Northwest Region delivered fruit gift baskets to all Ansar brothers who are above 65 years and those who are not well at their respective addresses. We delivered these gift basket at their doors and inquired about their health as well. All the Ansar brothers appreciated this kind gesture.

Total Majlis visited: 9 (North Wales was not visted due to lockdown)

Total Ansar (Above 65 years and those are not well) visited: 91

## Tabligh Forum - Noor Region

Nazim e Ala, Hayat Mirza Sahib chaired and online Tabligh Forum on 9th May which commenced with the recitation and Urdu translation of the Holy Quran by Hidayt Ullah Shad Sahib. The English translation was delivered by Qamar Syed Sahib. After the pledge, Nazim e Ala Sahib continued with opening remarks and etiquettes of the forum. Following on, Nazim Tabligh, Zahoor Ahmed Sahib presented a brief video clip from Huzur ايده الله and continued with a short presentation in Urdu and English on 'Pearls of Wisdom'. Regional Coordinator Professor Nawaz Sahib delivered an engaging, practical speech on how to contact

people during this period of COVID-19 – the key point being to have genuine care for your neighbours and make them aware you are here to help wherever possible. Adeel Shah Sahib then explained how we can use technology to further our Tabligh efforts. This was followed by an interactive question and answer session. Finally, a lot of positive feedback was given by some of the participants. Nazim e Ala Sahib explained the importance of holding monthly Tabligh Forums within the individual Majalis. Adeel Shah Sahib concluded the forum with silent prayers.

## Isaar Meeting - West Midlands



On 9th May 2020, Isaar Department Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands held an Isaar Meeting on Zoom and it was watched live on YouTube as well. This event was chaired by Respected Ashfaq Ahmad Khan Sahib, Qaid Isaar, Majlis Ansarullah UK. Event was started with recitation of the Holy Quran and translation. Alhamdolillah, 11 Ansar attended the meeting on Zoom and 13 viewers watched it on YouTube Live. Ansar brothers above 65 years shared their views on current situation, and their past experiences through live participation in zoom meeting and video messages as well. Tariq Majeed Sahib, Nazime e Aala Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands and Ashfaq Ahmad Khan Sahib, Qaid Majlis Ansarullah UK guided us regarding Isaar department and shared their views as well.

Ashfaq Ahmad Khan Sahib, Qaid Majlis Ansarullah UK lead all Ansar participants in silent prayer before conclusion of the meeting.

## Taleem Seminar - Tahir Region

Majlis Ansarullah Tahir Region has the honour to hold first Taleem Seminar on 17th May 2020 at 15:00. This Seminar was held online on Zoom because of the current pandemic. All Zoma and Muntazimeen taleem were contacted severally for attendance and all ansaar were informed. Due to some issues with Zoom that day, seminar could start with some delay. Initially 92 Ansar participated but due to issues with Zoom, 65 members attended the seminar.

Seminar started with recitation of Holy Quran followed by translation in both languages by Nasir Ahmed sb from Tooting Bec. All Ansar were welcomed by Nazim Taleem and were given the following Taleem Agenda points for rest of the year.

1- Taleem Paper on priority. All Zoama must have portal access to the Taleem Paper portal.

2- All Zoama will make Quiz team and inter Majalis Quiz competitions should be organised so that best participants can be chosen for National Quiz competition and also new participants can be made,

3- Essay written must be promoted and more Ansaar need to be motivated to participate Essay writing competition. This will result to have more writers in our Jamaat to reply the allegations against Jama'at.

4- All Majalis will hold Taleem Seminar on local bases.

An Urdu and English overview of Lecture Ludhiana was given followed by a discussion on the various topics discussed by Promised Massiah عليه السلام in Lecture Ludhiana.

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## Virtual Taleem Rally - West Midlands Region

On 6th June 2020, Taleem Department Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands held a Prepared Urdu & English Speech & Azan Competitions on Zoom and it was watched live on YouTube as well. The event was chaired by Respected Tariq Majeed Sahib, Nazim e Aala Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands. Event was started with recitation of the Holy Quran and Translation.

8 Ansar participated in English Speech, 12 participated in Urdu Speech & 14 participated in Azaan competition on Zoom and 47 viewers watched it on YouTube Live as well. Maulana Abdul Ghaffar sahib, Maulana Aqeel Ahmad Kang sahib and Tariq Majeed sahib were judges of this competition.

**Prepared Urdu Speech**

1st. **Farid Mahmood Mubashir** sahib from Birmingham South

2nd. **Rafique Saleh Nasir** sahib from Birmingham South

3rd. **Daud Ahmad** sahib from Birmingham West




**Prepared English Speech**

1st. **Dr Mirza Azhar Siddiq** sahib from Walsall

2nd. **Imran Masood** sahib from Birmingham South

3rd. **Ephram Toban** sahib from Wolverhampton

**Azaan**

1st. **Ephram Toban** sahib from Wolverhampton

2nd. **Farid Mahmood Mubashir** sahib from Birmingham South

3rd. **Rafi Shah Nawaz** sahib from Walsall

Muhammad Azfar Ahmad Sahib Naib Nazim e Aala Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands made few announcements regarding national illmi rally. Results were announced by Tariq Majeed Sahib, Nazim e Aala Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands. In the End Maulana Abdul Ghaffar Sahib lead all Ansar participants in silent prayer before conclusion of the Virtual Taleem Rally.




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## Tabligh Forum - West Midland Region

Majlis Ansarullah West Midlands held its 2nd Tabligh Forum through Zoom Conference Call and YouTube broadcast on May 30, 2020 6:00 to 7:20pm. The planning started a week earlier and agenda was prepared accordingly. Naib Nazim Tabligh Social media helped with the IT side for setting up meeting room, publicising the event, creating tweets on social media and arranging broadcasting on YouTube. Multiple meetings of the Media Team were held to assign duties and to ensure that all aspects of the meeting are looked at. All Majalis were informed well in advance through Zoamaa Majalis and Muntazimeen Tabligh and were reminded again and again to ensure maximum participation of Ansar. Seven out of seven Majalis held their Tabligh Committee meetings before the event.

The forum started with the recitation of Sura Al-Nasr which provides an affirmation to believers that God's help will surely come to them, if they strive for that. Hadith from Muslim and few couplets form the Kalaam of Hazrat Musleh Maood رضی اللہ عنہ were in support of today's topic. Later selected excerpts from the writings of Promised Messiah علیہ السلام and Hazrat Musleh Maood رضی اللہ عنہ were read out. We also remembered one of our very active DaiIllalah Mr Ghulam Abbas Baloch who passed away recently.

Respected Mashhood Butt described in very easy and understandable ways to how to become an effective Dai-Illalah. His focus was mainly on following points:

1. Personal relation with Allah through showing and practising a real love of Prophet Mohammad صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم and Promised Messiah علیہ السلام
2. Patience that a Dai-Illalah should hold during discussion and importance of prayers. We need to win hearts of people not just arguments;
3. Reading the books of Promised Messiah علیہ السلام to gain knowledge and understanding true character of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani علیہ السلام; and lastly
4. Importance of prayers by a Dai Illalah

The meeting concluded with final remarks and silent prayer lead by Respected Nazim-e-Alaa West Midlands. Total attendance: 211






اس مشاعرے کے میر مجلس اور آخری شاعر مکرم مولانا عطاء المجیب راشد صاحب تھے۔ آپ نے کہا "بہت ہی بابرکت پروگرام ہے اور انشاء اللہ یادگار رہے گا، اس پروگرام میں آپ نے ساری دنیا کی نمائندگی کرنے والے بہت ہی بلند پایا شعراء کو اکٹھا کر دیا ہے۔۔۔ یہ پروگرام اپنی نوعیت کا منفرد پروگرام ہے کیونکہ اس میں اکناف عالم کے شعراء کی نمائندگی بھی ہے، ہر ایک کا اپنا اپنا انداز ہوتا ہے لیکن سب کو ایک پلیٹ فارم پر جو خلافت کا عنوان ہے اس پر اکٹھا کر دینا یہ ایک بہت بڑی خدمت بھی ہے اور ایک تاریخی بات بھی ہے۔ آج کی مجلس میں خلافت کا بار بار ذکر ہوا اور آج خلافت کا شجر 112 سال پرانا ہو گیا ہے اور پرانا ہونے کے باوجود یہ تن ومند ہوتا جا رہا ہے اس کے برکتیں بڑھتی چلی جا رہی ہیں۔ یہ شجر خلافت کا جیسا کہ حضرت مسیح موعود علیہ السلام نے بیان فرمایا تھا ہمیشہ قائم رہے گا اور خلافت کا انعام کبھی بھی اس جماعت مومنین سے نہیں لیا جائے گا۔ یہ ایک ایسی نعمت ہے جو ہمیشہ جاری رہنے والی ہے۔ انشاء اللہ "آپ نے یہ بھی کہا کہ خلافت احمدیہ کی صد سالہ جوبلی کے موقع پر حضرت خلیفۃ المسیح الخامس ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز نے جو تاریخی "عہدِ وفائے خلافت" لیا تھا اسے ہمیشہ یاد رکھنا چاہئے۔ اس کے بعد آپ نے اپنا کلام سنایا۔

یہ کیا کم ہے کہ ہم نے شاہد و مشہود کو پایا | مسیح و مہدی آخر زماں کی ذات پہچانی
خدا نے فضل سے اپنے خلافت ہم کو بخشی ہے | جس کو ڈھونڈتی پھرتی ہے ہر سُو نوعِ انسانی

محترم ڈاکٹر اعجاز الرحمٰن صاحب صدر مجلس انصار اللہ برطانیہ مشاعرے میں شامل رہے اور آخر پر آپ نے تشکر کے جذبات کا اظہار کیا جس کے بعد مکرم عطاء المجیب راشد صاحب امام مسجد فضل لندن نے اختتامی دعا کروائی۔

اس پروگرام کو کامیاب بنانے میں درج ذیل افراد کا بھرپور تعاون حاصل رہا۔

اطلاعات واعلانات احباب جماعت: مکرم شکیل احمد بٹ صاحب نائب صدر انصار اللہ

رابطہ: مکرم محمد محمود خان صاحب قائد عمومی

IT, Youtube, Zoom مکرم اظہر اقبال صاحب

IT ٹیم میں شامل مکرم ضیاء فاروقی صاحب، مکرم مظفر احمد صاحب، مکرم احسن کاہلوں صاحب، مکرم چوہدری کلیم صاحب، مکرم عثمان صالح صاحب اور مکرم نعیم صاحب۔

مکرم عامر ملک صاحب نے پوسٹرز تیار کئے۔

فجزاھم اللہ احسن الجزاء

خلافت نعمت عظمیٰ خلافت قدرت ثانی | خلافت رشد کا ذریعہ خلافت فیضِ ربانی
خلافت ظلمتوں میں ہے نویدِ صبحِ نورانی | خلافت خلق کی خاطر خدا کا فضل ہے بھاری

ربوہ کی نمائندگی کرتے ہوئے پہلے شاعر مکرم ضیاء اللہ مبشر صاحب مربی سلسلہ تھے۔ تمام شعراء کی طرح آپ نے بھی اپنا کلام سنانے سے پہلے حضرت امیر المؤمنین ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز کی خدمت میں سلام اور یوم خلافت کے حوالے سے اپنے جذبات کا اظہار کیا۔ آپ کے کلام کے چند اشعار یہ ہیں:

خلافت کی اطاعت میں سرِ تسلیم خم رکھنا | وفا کے پاسباں رہنا محبت کا علَم رکھنا
یہی عقدِ اخوت ہے یہی رمزِ محبت ہے | یہ بیعت ایک نعمت ہے اسے تم محترم رکھنا

ربوہ سے ہی ہمارے دوسرے شاعر مکرم لئیق احمد عابد صاحب تھے۔ آپ نے اہل ربوہ کی طرف سے اپنے جذبات کا اظہار کیا اور پھر اپنا کلام پیش کیا۔

اک تم نصیب جن کا رخِ یار دیکھنا | ایک ہم جنہیں کہ ہجر کے آزار دیکھنا
چبھنے نہ پائے اس کو کوئی خار دیکھنا | اے ساکنانِ کوچہ دلدار دیکھنا

اس کے بعد پاکستان سے ہی، شہرِ لاہور سے جماعت کے ایک اور معروف شاعر مکرم ڈاکٹر عبد الکریم خالد صاحب کی باری آئی تو اولاً آپ نے حضور انور ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز کی صحت کے بارے میں دو اشعار کے بعد اپنے تازہ ترین اشعار جو دو دن پہلے تحریر کئے سنائے۔

خدا کے حسن کا نشاں وہ شخص بے مثال ہے | نبی کے عشق میں نہاں وہ شخص وہ بے مثال ہے
دلوں نے پائی کس طرح نئے سرے سے روشنی | فروغِ نور شمع ساں وہ شخص بے مثال ہے

اس موقع پر اپنے پیغام میں مکرمہ نصرت سحر صاحبہ نے کہا "جزاکم اللہ مجلس انصار اللہ یو کے اس قرنطینہ کے ماحول میں بھی یوم خلافت کو نہایت پُر رونق بنا دیا"

اس کے بعد مکرم مصور احمد صاحب نے آسٹریا سے مکرم حافظ محمد مبرور احمد صاحب مربی سلسلہ کی نظم اپنی مترنم آواز میں سنایا۔

اک دلربا سا چہرہ پھولوں سا ہے مہکتا | ہے چاند سا منور خورشید سا چمکتا
نورِ ازل کی خوشبو اس کو کرے معطر | لاکھوں دلوں کی دھڑکن ہر من میں ہے وہ بستا

امریکہ سے پہلے شاعر مکرم عبد الکریم قدسی صاحب تھے آپ نے اپنا کلام بعنوان "خلیفہ خدا بناتا ہے" پیش کیا۔

فضائے غم میں سکینت کے ثمر لاتا ہے | دلوں کی کھیتیوں میں تمکنت اگاتا ہے
وہ اپنے نور سے اک شکل سی بناتا ہے | دلوں پہ مہر اطاعت وہی لگاتا ہے
وہ اپنا فیصلہ دنیا کو پھر سناتا ہے | قسم خدا کی خلیفہ خدا بناتا ہے

امریکہ سے ہی ہمارے دوسرے شاعر اور کئی شاعروں کے استاد مکرم مبارک احمد عابد صاحب تھے، جنہوں نے اپنے مخصوص انداز میں خلافت سے عقیدت و محبت کا اظہار کیا۔ آپ نے آج کے دن یعنی یوم خلافت کے حوالے سے اپنی ایک تمثیلی انداز میں لکھی نظم بعنوان "ہمیں اللہ نے بخشی عظیم الشان نعمت ہے" سنائی۔

کہا میں نے ضرورت کیا ہمیں تعویذ اور دم کی | ہمیں اللہ نے بخشی عظیم الشان نعمت ہے
دکھوں کی دھوپ میں ہر دم وہی ہے سائباں اپنا | ہمارے سر پہ جو سایا فگن ابر خلافت ہے

# آن لائن عالمی مشاعرہ (زیر اہتمام مجلس انصار اللہ برطانیہ)

## بر موقع یوم خلافت (نذرانہ ٔ عقیدت و محبت)

## تاریخ 27 مئی 2020 بروز بدھ بوقت شام 5 بجے GMT

(راجہ برہان احمد مربی سلسلہ ۔ قائد تعلیم مجلس انصار اللہ برطانیہ)

مجلس انصار اللہ برطانیہ شعبہ تعلیم کے تحت مؤرخہ 27 مئی 2020ء لندن وقت کے مطابق شام 6 بجے ایک آن لائن عالمی مشاعرہ کا انعقاد کیا گیا۔ یہ مشاعرہ نہیں بلکہ دربار خلافت میں یوم خلافت کے حوالے سے ایک عاجزانہ نذرانہ ٔ عقیدت و محبت تھا۔ محض اللہ تعالیٰ کے فضل و کرم اور پیارے آقا کی دعاؤں سے مشاعرہ بہت کامیاب رہا۔ یہ پروگرام سوا دو گھنٹے جاری رہا ۔ براہ راست پروگرام کو YOUTUBE پر 5895 اور FACEBOOK پر 400 سے زائد احباب و خواتین نے دیکھا۔ پروگرام کے آغاز سے اختتام تک مسلسل پیغامات آتے رہے اور لوگ پیارے آقا ایدکم اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز کی خدمت میں السلام علیکم ورحمۃ اللہ وبرکاتہ کے پیغامات بھجواتے رہے۔ اسی طرح خلافت احمدیہ زندہ باد اور خلافت سے اپنے والہانہ عشق و محبت کا اظہار کرتے رہے۔

اس پہلے عالمی آن لائن مشاعرہ کے میزبان مکرم مبارک صدیقی صاحب تھے ، جنہوں نے اپنے روایتی انداز میں نہایت محبت و اخلاص سے اس پروگرام کو چلایا۔ سورۃ النور کی آیات 56 اور 57 کی تلاوت اور ترجمہ مکرم حافظ فضل ربی صاحب نے پیش کیا ۔ جس کے بعد قادیان دارالامان کی نمائندگی کرتے ہوئے مکرم تنویر احمد ناصر صاحب قائد تعلیم مجلس انصار اللہ انڈیا نے حضرت ڈاکٹر میر محمد اسماعیل صاحب کا نعتیہ منظوم کلام ''بدرگاہ ذیشان خیر الانام'' کے چند اشعار اپنی مترنم آواز میں سنائے ۔ اس مشاعرے کے پہلے شاعر یوکے کی نمائندگی کرتے ہوئے مکرم میر انجم پرویز صاحب نے اپنا تازہ کلام سنایا۔

ہوتے نہیں دل سرخوشِ صہبائے محبت  پیتے نہ اگر جامِ مئے حسنِ خلافت
حق دین وہی جس کو خلافت سے ہے تمکیں  لاریب خلافت سے عبادت ہے عبادت

امیر جماعت احمدیہ و مشنری انچارج جاپان اس مشاعرے کے اگلے شاعر تھے جو جاپان کے وقت کے مطابق رات 2 بجے اس مشاعرے میں شامل ہوئے اور اپنا کلام پیش کیا جس کا عنوان تھا ''نظام خلافت مبارک نظام''۔

خلافت نبوت کا فیضانِ عام  خدا کی عطا ہے یہ عالی مقام
خلافت کا جس دل میں ہے احترام  رہے گا ہمیشہ وہی شاد کام

اس مشاعرے میں چند شعراء اور نظم پڑھنے والے تو براہ راست شامل ہوئے اور کئی شعراء اور احباب اپنے ریکارڈڈ پیغامات کے ذریعے اس کا حصہ بنے جبکہ لائیو پروگرام کے دوران پیغامات کا ایک نا ختم ہونے والا سلسلہ تھا جو کئی دن تک جاری رہا۔ تین مختلف حصوں میں یہ پیغامات لائیو پروگرام کا حصہ بنے جبکہ خلافت سے محبت اور اخلاص و وفا کے پیغامات احباب کے نام کے ساتھ گاہے گاہے پروگرام کا حصہ رہے۔

مکرم بلال احمد راجہ صاحب نے امریکہ سے اپنی مترنم آواز میں نظم ''خلافت کے ہی سائے میں بسر ہو زندگی ساری''، جس کے شاعر ان کے بڑے بھائی مکرم حارث احمد راجہ صاحب ہیں سنایا۔